

# **Exhibit A**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: U.S. Patent No. 5,654,301  
Inventor: KOHN, Harold et al.  
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For: AMINO ACID DERIVATIVE ANTICONVULSANT  
Assignee: Research Corporation Technologies, Inc.  
  
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POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT TERM EXTENSION APPLICATION

Research Corporation Technologies, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of Delaware, and having a principal place of business at 5210 E. Williams Circle, Suite 240, Tucson, Arizona 85711-4410, represents that it is the owner of the entire interest in and to U.S. Patent No. 5,654,301, granted to Harold Kohn and Darrell Watson for "Amino Acid Derivative Anticonvulsant," as reflected in the assignment document recorded by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 12, 1993 at Reel 006433, Frame 0347.

Research Corporation Technologies, Inc. hereby revokes all previous powers of attorney and appoints Kevin G. Shaw and the registered practitioners of Hogan & Hartson, L.L.P. included in the Customer Number provided below to prosecute this patent term extension application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and further directs that all correspondence be addressed to Kevin G. Shaw at that Customer Number. The undersigned, acting in the official capacity stated below, has authority to and does hereby execute this document on behalf of Research Corporation Technologies, Inc.

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